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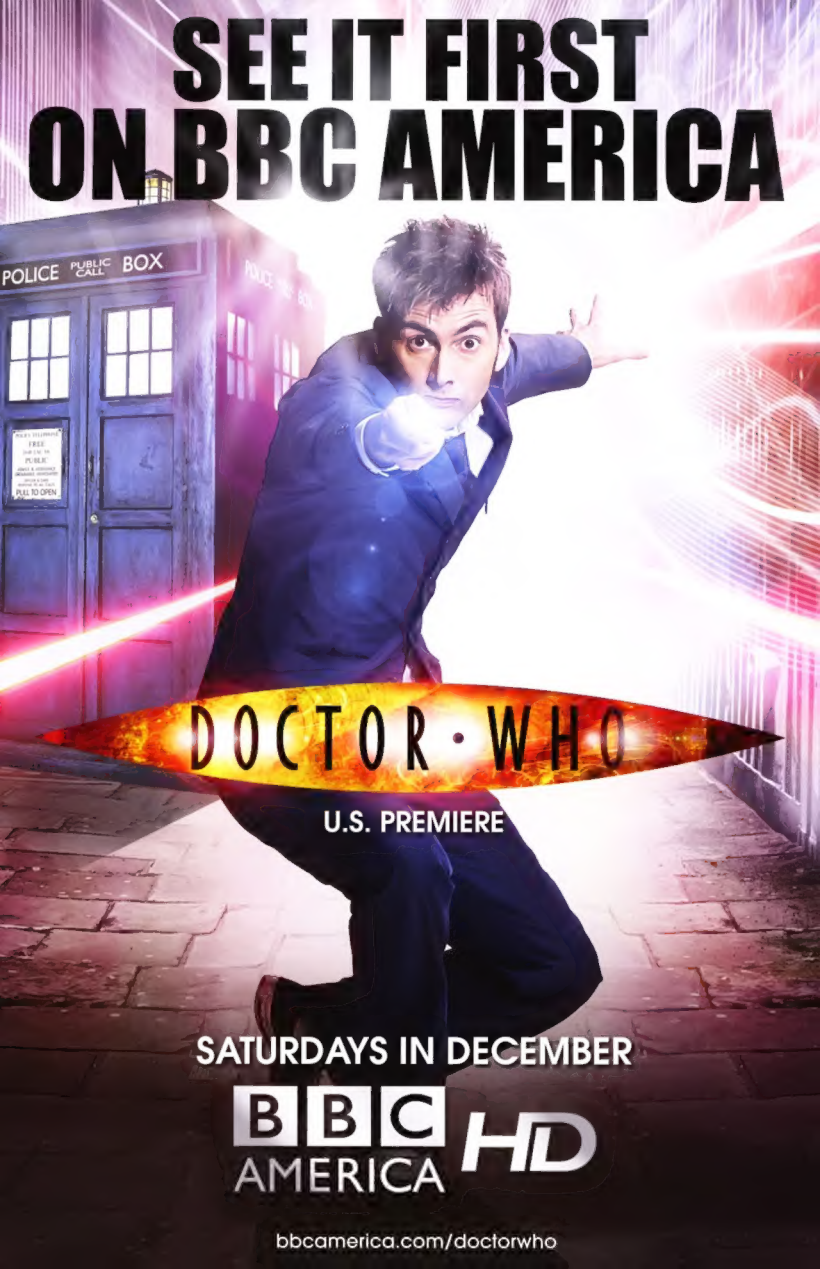
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FWOOSH
GOD FORGIVE ME FOR NOT HAVING THE STRENGTH TO KILL YOU ON THE BIRTHING TABLE.
BUT WE CAN RECTIFY THAT MISTAKE RIGHT NOW. THE VERY CHILDREN YOU TORMENTED WILL BE YOUR UNDOING!
WOT ARE 'DEY?!!!
AIEEE!
IT'S GOT ME, IT'S GOT MEEEEEEEE!
THOOM
IT CAN'T BE. I KILLED YOU ALL.
I TOOK YOUR POWERS AND DEVOURED YOUR SOULS.
YIIIEEE!
OH, BLOODY BANSHEES!
YEAH! LOOK AT 'EM BURNING! THE GHOSTS ARE DESTROYING THE DEADITES!
NICE JOB, GHOST NUN. I GUESS CATHOLIC SCHOOL WAS GOOD FOR SOMETHING AFTER ALL.

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IT'S OVER, MY SON. YOUR ARMY IS LOST AND THE SLAUGHTERED CHILDREN HAVE RECLAIMED THEIR SOULS.
NO... I WAS SO CLOSE...
IT'S TIME NOW. TIME FOR YOU TO LEAVE THIS WORLD TO THE LIVING. TIME TO LET THE BOYS AND GIRLS SLEEP IN PEACE.
COME WITH ME. COME AND BE JUDGED AT THE HAND OF...
OH.
AWWW... WHAT'S THE MATTER, MOMMA?
DID YOU REALLY THINK YOU COULD JUST SHOW UP HERE AND THAT I'D SIMPLY LIE DOWN AND DIE AFTER A FEW CHEAP 4TH OF JULY SPARKLERS WERE LIT UP?
NO... IT CAN'T END LIKE THIS.
IT AIN'T THAT EASY TO GET RID OF ME, BITCH.
AND NOW YOUR LITTLE SPIRIT ANCHOR HERE IS GOING TO JOIN YOU.
URK
WHAT'S THE MATTER, JACOB? ALL YOUR LITTLE GHOST FRIENDS DISAPPEAR ON YOU?
FUNNY HOW THEY DO THAT WHEN YOU CAN'T CONCENTRATE ON THEM. GUESS THAT'S 'CAUSE YOU'RE THINKING ABOUT THAT GUT WOUND, HUH?
HAHAHAHA!
NOOOO...
UHHNN...

COME ON!
WE'VE GOT TO TAKE KRUEGER DOWN NOW OR HE'LL DRAG EVERY ONE OF US TO HELL WITH HIM.
CHK CHK CHK!
WAIT!
KILL
WHAT ABOUT JASON? WE DON'T KNOW THAT HE'S DEAD. I HAVE TO GO BACK IN THERE SO WE CAN BE SURE!
I DON'T THINK YOU HAVE TO LOOK VERY FAR; HE'S COMING TO YOU!
ALRIGHT, I'LL TAKE DOWN THE STIFF. YOU GET OVER THERE AND KEEP KRUEGER AT BAY UNTIL I FINISH CARVING JETHRO DULL INTO TWITCHING BITS.
NO! I NEED TO BE THE ONE TO PUT JASON DOWN FOR GOOD!
YOU CAN'T DO IT.
ONLY I CAN.
GET OVER YOURSELF, PUNK!
THIS ISN'T A VIDEO GAME AND HE ISN'T A GUY IN A COSTUME. HE'S A POSSESSED DEMON THAT DOES NOTHING BUT KILL.
ASH! HELP, WE NEED YOU!
YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN, KID. SOMEONE'S GOTTA HELP JACOB AND THE GIRLS.
CH-CH-CH AH-AH-AH
SWISH
WHOA!

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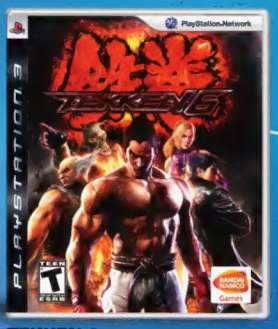

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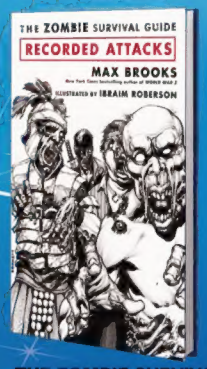

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WHAT'RE YOU WAITING FOR, JASON?! YOU KNOW WHO I AM. IT WAS ME YOU WANTED ALL THESE YEARS. THE ONE THAT GOT AWAY TIME AND TIME AGAIN.
I'M HERE NOW.
WHACK
AND I'M GOING TO BURY YOU!
THUK
UHN!
OOOF!

YOU KILLED EVERYONE ELSE FROM CRYSTAL LAKE. BUT NOT ME.
ALL MY FRIENDS. ALL MY FAMILY.
DEAD!
ALL THOSE INNOCENT KIDS AND COUNSELORS... DEAD!
YOU JUST KEPT KILLING AND KILLING AND KILLING. BUT YOU NEVER GOT ME.
CRACK
AND YOU NEVER WILL!
YOU!
KRUNK
NEVER!
THUNK
WILL!

I....
UHHHNN... YEW...
...JASON?
...DAIE!
UGHN!
SHUNK
GO ON!
ARGK
DO IT! JUST DO IT...
SCHNK

I CAN'T STOP THE BLEEDING..
I AM ETERNAL. I AM FOREVER
AND BEING IMMORTAL IS THIRSTY WORK.
BUT I KNOW JUST WHAT COCKTAIL WILL HIT THE SPOT
SOME GHOSTLY SOUL-QUENCHING MAR-TEENIES.
HA HA HA HA HA HA!
GRRRRRR
ASH! WE HAVE TO GET HIM TO A HOSPITAL!
HOLD ON, KID.
WE'LL GET YOU OUTTA HERE.
HERE! THE BOOK IS OUR ONLY CHANCE
WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO? KRUEGER'S SLAUGHTERING THEM ALL OVER AGAIN!
PUT THAT BIG BRAIN OF YOURS TO WORK AND READ THE NECRONOMICON PASSAGES TO SEND KRUEGER BACK TO HELL

I'LL BUY YOU SOME TIME.
YEAHHAAHH!
WAIT...
...I DON'T KNOW HOW TO READ THIS LANGUAGE!
COME ON! IS THAT ALL YOU GOT, KRUEGER?
RRENENENEN
OOPSIE... DROPPED YOUR LITTLE TOY.
WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO WITHOUT YOUR LITTLE PLAYTHINGS, ASHIE-POO?
I WAS THINKING I'D HELP YOU WORK ON THAT DOUBLE-JOINTED TRICK. HOW'S THAT FEEL?
SNAP
AAARRGH!

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I CAN'T DO IT... I DON'T KNOW HOW TO READ THIS. HE'S GOING TO KILL US ALL AND I CAN'T DO A DAMN THING ABOUT IT.
IT'S OKAY, NEIL.
I'M HERE NOW AND TOGETHER WE'RE GOING TO STOP HIM
NANCY? MY GOD, HOW...?
IT WON'T STOP BLEEDING... WHY WON'T IT STOP?
OH, MY GOD.
STEPHANIE? IS THAT YOU?
STEPHANIE...?
CH-CH-CH AH-AH-AH
CH-CH-CH
AH-AH-AH

SCHICK SCHAK
UHN
JASON. MY SWEET, INNOCENT JASON.
MMMM... MMMM...
MOMMY..?
YEAAHHRR!
DON'T WORRY, MY LOVE. MOMMY'S HERE FOR YOU.
SHING

NO ONE IS GOING TO HURT YOU AGAIN, NOT LIKE THOSE IRRESPONSIBLE COUNSELORS DID SO LONG AGO.
NO ONE IS GOING TO HURT YOU EVER AGAIN.
JASON VOORHEES IS DEAD!

ENOUGH ALREADY!
HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO KILL YOU ASSHOLES?
UHN!
WAIT... WHAT'S THAT?
YOU ACTUALLY DID IT? YOU KILLED THAT SIMPLE-MINDED MEAT GRINDER JASON?
OH YEAH... THAT'S THE STUFF.
LITTLE MISS MONKEY-SEE, MONKEY-SLASH OVER THERE WAS MY BLADE AND NOW THE ULTIMATE KILLING MACHINE'S SOUL IS MINE. EVERY ONE OF YOUR SURVIVORS' SOULS HAS INCREASED MY POWER, BUT THIS ONE...
THE SOUL OF JASON VOORHEES IS LIKE A BLAST FURNACE IN MY CHEST. THE POWER IS LIMITLESS.
ALL THOSE LIVES HE TOOK... MINE FOR THE REAPING.
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SHHHHH STAY WITH ME, NEL. WE ONLY HAVE A FEW MOMENTS TO GET THIS RIGHT
KRUEGER MUST BE STOPPED. I CAN NEVER REST UNTIL HE IS BURIED
I'M GOING TO HELP YOU JUST RELAX...
KLAATU! VERATA! NIKTO!
AHARRRK
OOOOAAAHH
WHAT THE HELL?
YOU!

YOU THINK THIS LITTLE DISTRACTION IS GOING TO SAVE YOU?
NO ONE SCREWS WITH ME. NOT THESE PUNKS AND NOT THE GHOST OF THAT ELM STREET WHORE.
I KILLED EVERY OTHER BASTARD THAT THOUGHT THEY COULD.
AND NOW I'M GOING TO KILL YOU AGAIN.
QUICK, GET IN THERE AND HOLD ON TO SOMETHING! THAT DAMN VORTEX WILL SUCK UP EVERYTHING THAT ISN'T BOLTED DOWN AND SHOOT IT TO KINGDOM COME.
HE'S TOO POWERFUL! THE VORTEX WON'T STOP HIM!
HOLD ON!
DON'T LET GO!
AND THIS LITTLE STORM YOU CALLED UP IS NOTHING TO ME. I AM THE BEGINNING AND THE END. I AM THE ALPHA AND THE OMEGA. I AM THE DREAM GOD!
NOTHING CAN STOP ME NOW!
AGENT CARTER!

NO! THE BOOK!
AAARRRROOOOOAAAHHH
WHAT'S THIS?
YOU LIED! YOU LIED!
WE GAVE YOU POWER AND NOW WE HAVE NOTHING!
NO! WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO ME? STAY BACK!
YOU! ARE NOT WORTHY!
BACK TO US THE POWER COMES!
PLEASE...YOU PROMISED ME THE POWER.

NO...IT'S MINE! I EARNED IT! I NEED MY POWER.
WHO WILL MAKE THEM PAY IF I DON'T?
INTO THE VORTEX WITH YOU!
THE BOOK OF THE DEAD HAS RECLAIMED ITS POWER
I'LL BE DAMNED. I NEVER THOUGHT I'D SEE THE DAY THIS MISERABLE BOOK ACTUALLY HATED SOMEONE MORE THAN ME.
THEY TOOK MY KID.
THEY TOOK HER AND THEN WENT AFTER ME
YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY DID TO ME. I DIDN'T WANT TO BE THIS WAY.
I WANTED TO BE GOOD.
I JUST WANTED TO BE LOVED
DON'T PLAY THAT AFTERSCHOOL SPECIAL SHIT WITH ME. I HAD TO CUT UP MY GIRLFRIEND WITH A CHAINSAW. DOES THAT SOUND LIKE A FREAKING STORYBOOK ENDING TO YOU?

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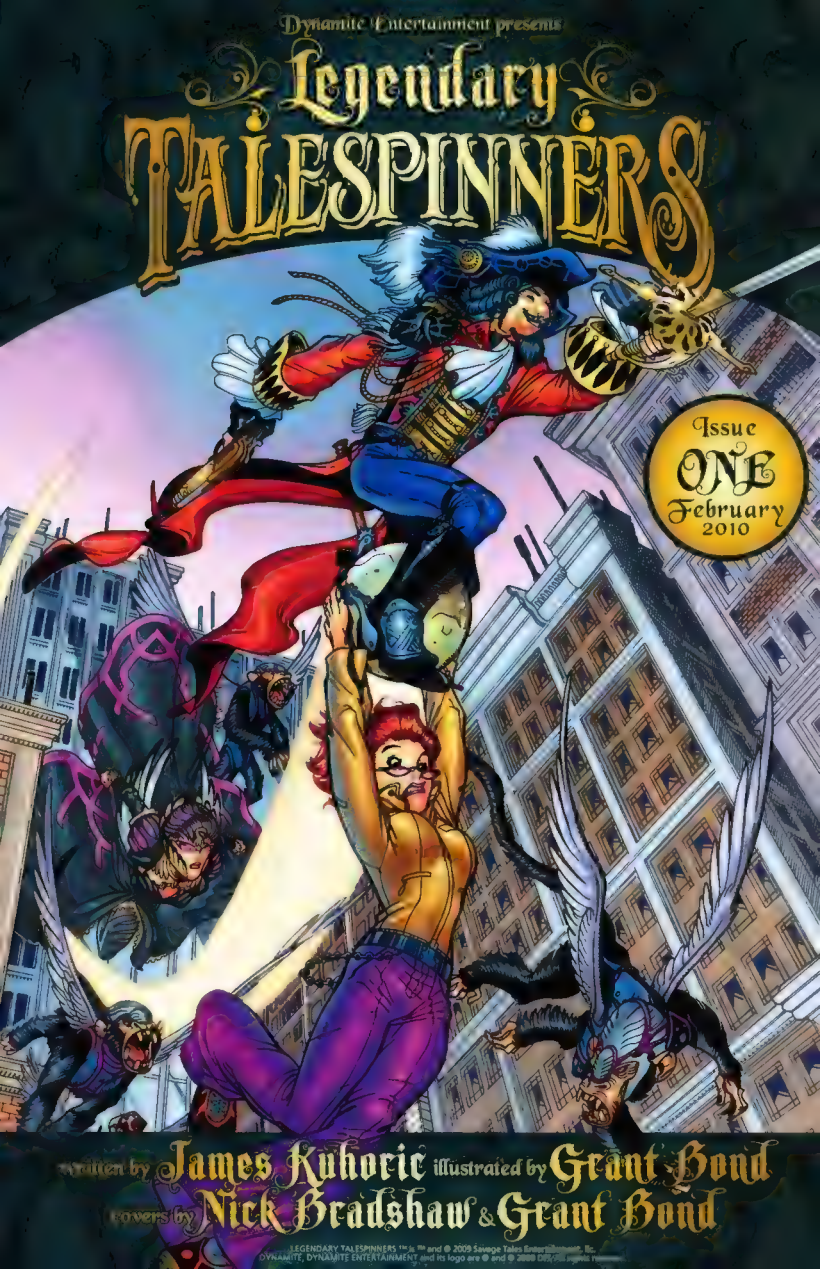

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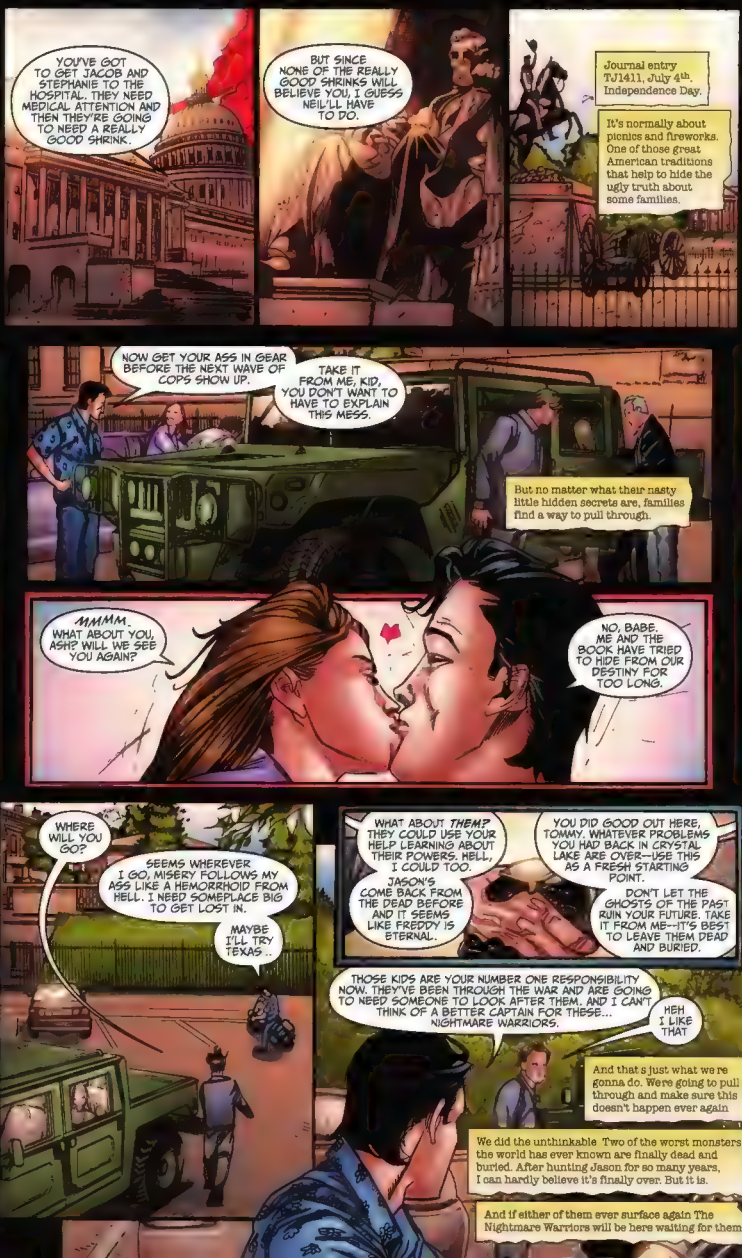
YOU WANT FORGIVENESS FOR WHAT YOU'VE DONE, KRUEGER?
BA-BOOM!
ASK THE KIDS YOU KILLED FOR IT--WHEN YOU GET TO HELL!
"IT'S STOPPING!
"THE VORTEX IS CLOSING!"
HE'S DEAD, NEIL. FREDDY IS FINALLY DEAD. ALL HIS VICTIMS CAN REST NOW.
WAIT, NANCY. DON'T GO. STAY WITH ME. I NEED YOU.
THEY'RE ALL WAITING FOR ME ON THE OTHER SIDE.
GOODBYE NEIL. I'LL ALWAYS LOVE YOU.
NANCY...
...PLEASE DON'T GO


YOU'VE GOT TO GET JACOB AND STEPHANIE TO THE HOSPITAL. THEY NEED MEDICAL ATTENTION AND THEN THEY'RE GOING TO NEED A REALLY GOOD SHRINK.
BUT SINCE NONE OF THE REALLY GOOD SHRINKS WILL BELIEVE YOU, I GUESS NEIL'LL HAVE TO DO.
Journal entry TJ1411, July 4th. Independence Day.
It's normally about picnics and fireworks. One of those great American traditions that help to hide the ugly truth about some families.
NOW GET YOUR ASS IN GEAR BEFORE THE NEXT WAVE OF COPS SHOW UP.
TAKE IT FROM ME, KID, YOU DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO EXPLAIN THIS MESS.
But no matter what their nasty little hidden secrets are, families find a way to pull through.
MMMM. WHAT ABOUT YOU, ASH? WILL WE SEE YOU AGAIN?
NO, BABE. ME AND THE BOOK HAVE TRIED TO HIDE FROM OUR DESTINY FOR TOO LONG.
WHERE WILL YOU GO?
SEEMS WHEREVER I GO, MISERY FOLLOWS MY ASS LIKE A HEMORRHOID FROM HELL. I NEED SOMEPLACE BIG TO GET LOST IN.
MAYBE I'LL TRY TEXAS..
WHAT ABOUT THEM? THEY COULD USE YOUR HELP LEARNING ABOUT THEIR POWERS. HELL, I COULD TOO.
JASON'S COME BACK FROM THE DEAD BEFORE AND IT SEEMS LIKE FREDDY IS ETERNAL.
YOU DID GOOD OUT HERE, TOMMY. WHATEVER PROBLEMS YOU HAD BACK IN CRYSTAL LAKE ARE OVER—USE THIS AS A FRESH STARTING POINT.
DON'T LET THE GHOSTS OF THE PAST RUIN YOUR FUTURE. TAKE IT FROM ME--IT'S BEST TO LEAVE THEM DEAD AND BURIED.
THOSE KIDS ARE YOUR NUMBER ONE RESPONSIBILITY NOW. THEY'VE BEEN THROUGH THE WAR AND ARE GOING TO NEED SOMEONE TO LOOK AFTER THEM. AND I CAN'T THINK OF A BETTER CAPTAIN FOR THESE... NIGHTMARE WARRIORS.
HEH I LIKE THAT
And that's just what we're gonna do. We're going to pull through and make sure this doesn't happen ever again
We did the unthinkable. Two of the worst monsters the world has ever known are finally dead and buried. After hunting Jason for so many years, I can hardly believe it's finally over. But it is.
And if either of them ever surface again The Nightmare Warriors will be here waiting for them

BETTER YOU THAN ME.
I'VE GOT A BAD HABIT OF BURYING THE KIDS AND DAMES THAT ARE DUMB ENOUGH TO FOLLOW THIS CHOSEN ONE.
I MADE THEM PAY FOR WHAT THEY DID TO LINDA AND CAROLINE. BUT IT STILL DOESN'T MAKE THE PAIN IN MY HEART ANY LESS.
FREDDY AND JASON ARE DEAD.
GOODBYE, CARRIE. I LOVED YOU...
WITH ANY LUCK, THEY'RE SUFFERING SOMEWHERE FOR WHAT THEY DID.
AND SOMEPLACE AWAY FROM THIS MESS A COLD BEER IS WAITING FOR ME.
IT'S A KING'S LIFE, BABY. AND THERE CAN BE ONLY ONE WEARING THE CROWN. HAIL TO ME.
JASON...
YOU CAN NEVER DIE, JASON.
YOU CAN NEVER DIE...

SPRINGWOOD, 1984.
POLICE DEPARTMENT.
I'LL BE GODDAMNED, WE GOT THE ARREST WARRANT!
KRUEGER IS GOING TO JAIL FOR LIFE! THAT SICK BASTARD IS GOING TO PAY FOR WHAT HE DID TO THOSE KIDS!
WHERE AM I?
I DON'T REMEMBER... WHAT'S THIS?
KRUEGER'S WARRANT? I THOUGHT THIS WAS MISPLACED AND NEVER SIGNED...
I HOPE THEY BURN YOU AT THE STAKE, YOU SONNOVABITCH.
Wesley Carter
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As I'm writing this, October's coming up with one of my favorite holidays, Halloween. Losing yourself for one night in a different identity presents all kinds of new possibilities to have fun and experience the world in a new light. I've already got an idea for what I'm going to wear this year, but I may have to change it based on what I've seen from our disturbed friends at Electronic Arts.

EA is about to unleash their latest smash-hit videogame, DANTE'S INFERNO, but this December, before the game hits stores, WildStorm introduces a six-issue miniseries with a taste of its no-holds-barred action. Based on the classic epic poem, Christos Gage (WILDCATS, *X-Men/Spider-Man*) sets the tone for Dante Alighieri as he battles Lucifer for his fiancée's soul. Unable to stop him from taking her soul to hell, Dante viciously fights his way through all sorts of demons and tormented spirits in his underworld adventure.

This book also debuts an up-and-coming new artist from Spain, Diego Latorre. His striking, ethereal visuals perfectly capture the brutally disturbing underworld Dante has to viciously fight through. This game's not for the faint-of-heart either—it takes you through a disgusting and depraved trip down into the gates of hell and I mean that in the best possible way.

Rounding out the end of the year is a WORLD OF WARCRAFT special highlighting new Horde and Alliance characters yet to be introduced in the regular series. Expertly written by Mike Costa, this issue is the breaking point that fans have been waiting for and gives due to both sides of the conflict. Artist Pop Mhan drew issue #20 of the ongoing WoW series, and WildStorm liked it so much, we asked him back! He'll illustrate this issue, including a variant cover.

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Best,

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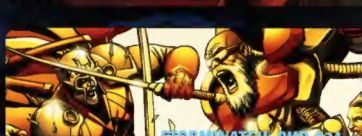

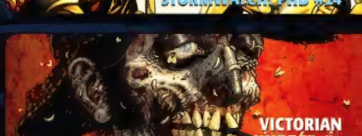

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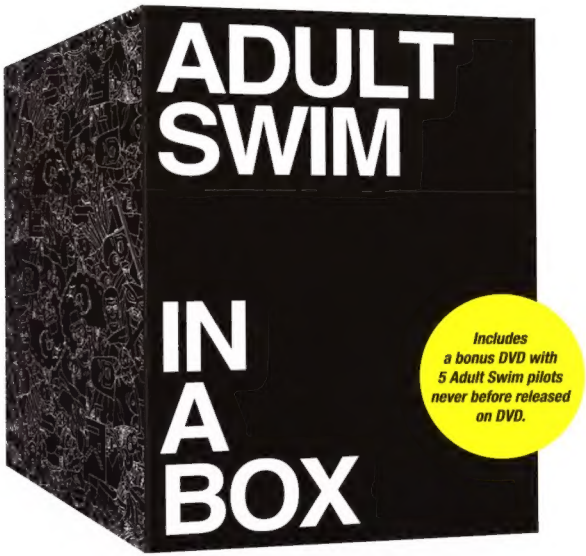

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